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AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 14 and 24 as indicated in Appendices A and B submitted herewith. Appendix A is a marked-up copy of the amended claims and Appendix B is a clean copy of the amended claims.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-18, and 20-24 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 1, 14, and 24 are independent claims. Claim 1 is drawn to an encapsulated product with claims 3-13 depending therefrom and adding further limitations. Claim 14 is drawn to a method for preparing an encapsulated product with claims 15-23 depending therefrom and adding further limitations. Claim 24 is drawn to a method of delivering two flavor ingredients to an item selected from the group consisting of a food item, a confectionery product, and a chewing gum product with the method comprising incorporating into the item a first encapsulated product containing a first flavor and incorporating into the item a second encapsulated product containing a second flavor.

Claims 1-14, 19-23 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fielden. Claim 24 is still rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Cherukuri et al.

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